Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1 and 11 are cancelled, claims 2, 3, 8, 9, 12 and 16 are amended and claim 17 is added as set forth hereinafter.

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Cancelled).

2. (Currently Amended) The antivibration element of ~~claim 1~~ claim 17, wherein said end section is fixed form tight on said guide slot.

3. (Currently Amended) The antivibration element of ~~claim 1~~ claim 17, wherein ~~said coil spring has a plurality of turns; and,~~ said end section extends over a number of said turns in a range of 3/4-turn to greater than 2-turns.

4. (Previously Presented) The antivibration element of claim 3, wherein said number of said turns is greater than approximately 1 1/4-turns.

5. (Original) The antivibration element of claim 3, wherein said transition section extends over a number of said turns in a range of approximately greater than one turn to four turns.

6. (Original) The antivibration element of claim 3, wherein said coil spring has first and second ends twisted relative to each other.

7. (Original) The antivibration element of claim 6, wherein said first and second ends are twisted relative to each other by approximately a half turn.

8. (Currently Amended) The antivibration element of claim 3, wherein said end section is a first end section and said coil spring has a second end section; and, said guide member is a first guide member and said guide slot is a first helically-shaped guide slot and said antivibration element comprises a second guide member defining a second helically-shaped guide slot; and, said coil spring is guided at said first and second end sections on said first and second helically-shaped guide slots, respectively.

9. (Currently Amended) The antivibration element of claim 8, wherein said first and second guide members are configured as first and second plugs projecting into the interior of said coil spring from opposite ends thereof; and, first and second guide helically-shaped slots are formed on said first and second plugs, respectively.

10. (Original) The antivibration element of claim 9, each of said first and second plugs having receptacles formed therein for accommodating an attachment device.

11. (Cancelled).

12. (Currently Amended) The antivibration element of ~~claim 11, wherein said coil spring defines a longitudinal center axis; and,~~ claim 9, wherein, in said transition section, the spacing (a, a') of the base of said ~~spirally-shaped~~ helically-shaped guide slots to said longitudinal center axis becomes less with increasing distance from the end section.

13. (Previously Presented) The antivibration element of claim 12, wherein said guide slots each have a trapezoidally-shaped cross section.

14. (Previously Presented) The antivibration element of claim 13, wherein said trapezoidally-shaped guide slot has first and second flanks defining respective angles ($\alpha$, $\beta$) with said longitudinal center axis of said coil spring which are each less than 90°.

15. (Original) The antivibration element of claim 14, wherein said angles ($\alpha$, $\beta$) lie in a range of 30° to 60°.

16. (Currently Amended) The antivibration element of ~~claim 11~~ claim 9, wherein said guide slots each have a circular-arc-shaped cross section.

17. (New) An antivibration element comprising:

a coil spring subject to deformation under load during

operation of said antivibration element;

said coil spring defining a longitudinal axis and having an end section, a remainder and a transition section extending from said end section to said remainder;

a guide member having a helically-shaped guide slot wherein turns of said coil spring are guided;

said end section and said transition section being guided in said guide slot;

said end section being fixed in said guide slot;

said helically-shaped guide slot having a base and said transition section being guided in said guide slot with a first play (b) to said base measured in radial direction;

said guide slot having first and second flanks delimiting said slot in the axial direction of said longitudinal axis; and,

said transition section having a second play (c) to said first flank in said axial direction and a third play (d) to said second flank also in said axial direction with said plays (b, c, d) becoming overcome during said deformation under load so as to permit the turns of said transition section to lie at least in part against said guide slot thereby increasing the stiffness of said coil spring.